

SILER'S

Terms Are Too High.

Will Not Referee Simms-Hoonan Contest.

Barborton Unknown Training For Fight.

Root and Ryan Went Six Rounds to Draw.

Coney Established World's Record—Sporting News.

George Siler will not referee the bout between Art Simms and Tim Hoonan. The North End Athletic club considers his terms altogether too high. Siler asks \$75 for one night's work. He is no longer a drawing card in this city and it is believed that some one who is just as good a referee can be secured for less money.

The club has received letters from men prominent in the business, who are anxious to come to this city and act as judge of the contest. John C. Sheehan, of Boston, who has a reputation as one of the very best referees in the country, may be engaged. Tim Hurst is also being considered. Letters have been received from W. C. Kelly, of Buffalo, and Jack Galvin, of Pittsburgh. The club will make a selection in a few days.

Hoonan writes that he is preparing for the fight at Pittsburgh in the gymnasium of the Hadfield Athletic club. He is being trained by Louden Campbell and a number of other fast men are keeping him in practice. He had intended to train at Steubenville but arrangements were not satisfactory. A number of Pittsburgh sports will be at the ringside to back Hoonan. He is considered a corner in this city.

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FEELLESS STANDS A CHANCE.

The Peerless bowling club returned Tuesday from New York, where they participated in the International tournament. There were 71 entries and the Akron bowlers finished in the first half. The exact position has not yet been determined.

Manager Cohen believes that one of the prizes may come to this city. The Peerless score of 744 in the contest is the lowest bowled by the Akron boys while in New York.

FORFEIT POSTED.

The North End Athletic club posted \$100 today with the Sporting Editor of the Democrat as its forfeit for the Simms-Hoonan contest. It has been decided to have the contest take place at the Grand Opera house. A special wire will bring in the returns of the Rubin-Fitzsimmons fight.

CLOCK

That Does the Work of Several Men.

New Invention For Operation of Number of Vulcanizers.

Messrs. A. E. Ellinwood and Frank A. Selberling of this city have secured, through their attorneys Humphrey & Humphrey, a patent on a system for operating a plurality of vulcanizers for bicycle tires. It is a departure from the usual machines for that purpose. The vulcanizers are two hollow annular cases, one fixed and the other hinged to it like a snuff box. Steam pipes regulated by a valve to convey steam to these cases, and a steam cylinder, provided with a valve, closes the cases and locks them together and releases and opens them when the tire is vulcanized. But the most novel feature is the manner in which they are operated.

A clock is connected with these vulcanizers, of which there may be as many as the floor space will allow, closes the vulcanizers by turning the steam to the cylinders to close them, locks them together, turns steam into the cases to heat them to vulcanize the tire and turns it off again at the proper time and unlocks and opens the mold. All that the attendant has to do is to place an unvulcanized tire in one of the molds, insert the tube to inflate it with steam, and pull a trigger, the clock does the rest, so that when there are a number of these vulcanizers operated by the same clock, the attendant having placed unvulcanized tires in them, waits until they begin to open when he takes the cured tires from each in turn, and places a new one in its place, and then pulls the trigger. The invention is owned by the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company in whose works a set of the vulcanizers has been in operation for some time.

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A WARM DISCUSSION.

JERICHO AGITATED ABOUT A SCHOOLHOUSE LIGHTNING ROD.

Pap Perkins, the Postmaster, Tells About the Plans That Were Made on Both Sides and How the Building Itself Settled the Question.

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It was a lightning rod man who started the schoolhouse discussion. He came along the other day and saw that the schoolhouse was without a rod, and he went to the town board and offered to put one up for so much. The town board wrestled over it all day, without coming to a conclusion, and when it got to be known all over Jericho a big crowd assembled at the postoffice in the evening to talk the matter over. It was Deacon Spooner who called the crowd to order and said:

"As it appears to me and to a majority of the citizens of this town that an epoch in the history of Jericho has arrived, I call upon the lightning rod man to state his case."

"There ain't much to state," replies the man. "I've offered to put up two rods on the schoolhouse and warrant it a good job for \$40. Bein as a schoolhouse is an emblem of knowledge and bein as the cause of education may be said to be the bulwarks of liberty, I've knocked \$15 off the regular price."

"I take it that he's made a pint," says the deacon as he tucks on the door with his cane. "Emporium of ed-



"HE'S MADE A PINT."

ucation and bulwarks of liberty seem to come in just right and hit the schoolhouse on all sides at once. I for one am a standin neutral in this business, and I'd like to hear both sides of the question. Mebbe Silas Lapham, who lives next door to the schoolhouse, would like to make a few remarks."

"As fur me," says Silas as he rises up, "I'm ag'in the idea of a lightning rod. That there schoolhouse was built 13 years ago, and durin them 13 years we've had 72 thunderstorms. If she's dodged 72, why can't she dodge 200? Why can't she keep right on dodgin till she tumbles down of old age? Forty dollars for a lightning rod means more taxation. That's s'ich a thing as an emporium of education, but that's also s'ich a thing as an emporium of taxation. Jericho is out of debt and no one kicken, but let the hand of excessive taxation clutch her throat, and how long would it take to strangle the life out of her? I'm ag'in, you see, and ponder afore it is too late."

"Silas, you've made a pint and a strong one," says the deacon when the applause has subsided. "If the schoolhouse has dodged 72 thunderstorms, that's no reason to think she won't keep up the record. Yes, it's a pint, and mebbe the lightning rod man would like to answer it."

"I don't think much of the pint," says the man as he gets up ag'in. "That's 80,000,000 people in these United States, and because none of 'em fell down stairs last year it don't follow that a heap of 'em won't tumble down this year. I've known a man to go on dodgin a mule's head for 16 years and then get 'em both in the stomach at once. Mebbe your schoolhouse will dodge a hundred more thunderstorms, and mebbe we will skasnly hev sought our virtuous couches this night before a thunderbolt as big as a bar'l will go drivin through her and leave nuthin but a heap of splinters to mark the spot where your emporium of education once reared its proud roof to the blue vaults of heaven. I said \$40 to the town board today, but in order to show my interest in the cause of education and to prove to you that my hand is ever stretched forth to uphold the prestige of a nation of freemen I'll make the price \$38."

"He's made a pint, gentlemen—he's made a pint," says the deacon as he whacks on the stove and looks around. "Yes, sir, when he talks about our schoolhouse rearin it's proud roof to the blue vaults of heaven he's made a pint, and I'm more favorable to the lightning rod than I was. I think this crowd would like to hear from Enos Williams."

"I'm with Silas Lapham," says Enos as he shuts up his jackknife and gets his feet under him. "I'm for lettin sartin things dodge or bust. They wanted to insure the meetin house 24 years ago, but my advice was to let her dodge. She's that yit. I've got a barn 30 years old, and she's never had a lightning rod or been insured—jest had to dodge or bust all these years—and she's that yit. Seventeen years ago, when I built my house, I put a bell on the front door. Nobody has rung that bell to this day. It would be the same if we put a lightning rod on the schoolhouse—you wouldn't see a thunderstorm around here for the next 15 years. I'm all right on the emporium of education business, and I can see that that schoolhouse rearin it's proud roof to the blue vaults of heaven as plain as if it wasn't 9 o'clock at night, but I don't see it call to pay out \$38. Let her dodge or bust!"

"That's a pint that, Enos—that's a pint," says the deacon as he hits a cracker barrel with his cane. "Yes, sir, that's a good deal in your theory about dodgin. When all the cows around here was hev'n the lump jaw, a fellow offered to protect mine ag'in it for \$3. I said I'd let her take her chances, and she come through all right. I observe Moses Forbush among the audience, and as Moses built the fence around the schoolhouse, mebbe he's got sunthin to say."

"I ain't ag'in lightning rods," says Moses in his slow way. "I'm not ag'in

em for what they are. It 'pears to me, however, that we'd better begin at the bottom instead of the roof. That's about 20 hogs nestin under the schoolhouse, and that's about 20 holes in the floor. I sorter like the idea of a lightning rod, and I sorter like the idea of a new floor and drivin the hogs out. One idea sorter balances the t'other, and I don't want to cast my vote either way."

"You hev'n't made a pint," says the deacon, "but nobody expected you to. I take it, however, that you go in fur an emporium of education, bein you got the job of buildin the fence and hev seven children goin to school."

"Yes, I think I do," replies Moses. "I've allus felt that it was my duty to uphold the Magna Charta of liberty, and when it comes to boostin the wheels of progress and civilization I'm good to lift a ton."

It was then suggested that the lightning rod man might want to say sunthin more, and he went at it and made a regular Fourth of July oration. He pictured George Washington, John Hancock, Thomas Jefferson and half a dozen more goin to school to learn how to spell such words as "liberty," "freedom" and "bulwarks." He pictured them schoolboyn struck by lightning for the want of rods, and he had tears in Joab Warner's eyes in less'n five minits. Then he pictured the happy children of Jericho crowdin into the schoolhouse on a summer's day. Among them was future lawyers, doctors, editors, statesmen and poets. They was drinkin in deep drafts of education when a black cloud appeared over Jim Taylor's barn, a rumble of thunder was heard, and a minit later a thunderbolt shot out and struck the schoolhouse, and that was a tragedy to convulse the world. The town had saved \$38 on a lightning rod, but what was the schoolhouse, the schoolm'am and 44 scholars? Some was shoutin and some was wipin their eyes when the man set down, and after Deacon Spooner had declared it the strongest pint he ever heard he made ready to put the question to a vote. Jest then in comes Lish Billings, and the deacon turns to him and says:

"Lish, we are hev'n a meetin about that lightning rod on the schoolhouse. As you painted the buldin mebbe you'd like to say sunthin. Are you fur it or ag'in it?"

"Neither one," answers Lish after awhile. "Are you standin neutral?"

"Not exactly."

"Then, how do you make it out?"

"Viv, the durin old buldin fell down about an hour ago of its own self, and I don't reckon that's any call to waste any breath about the matter."

Tailor-made in China.
The belief in the potency of charms, etc., is very widespread among the lower class Chinese and the Shans in parts of Yunnan. The latter in particular have all kinds of amulets to ward off evil, the gem of their collection being one which confers invulnerability on the wearer. This useful quality may also be obtained, I was informed, by undergoing a very painful process of tattooing. During my trip I was shown a "ch'ien nest," which looked like a bit of the hair-shirt stuffing from a foreign saddle, guaranteed to render the purchaser's horse safe from fire, and a "female deer's horn," which would enable the fortunate owner to walk a great distance without fatigue.

Not being a landed proprietor or a professional sprinter, I had no use for these things, and though I entered into negotiations with several people for the talisman which would render me invulnerable none of them was willing to stand the test of western skepticism—a revolver at 30 paces—even though I offered them an enormous sum and a handsome funeral in case of accident.—Geographical Journal.

The First National Convention.
What has been called the first national convention was not held by either of the great parties. It was conducted by the great party known as the Anti-Masonic party and was held in Baltimore in September, 1831. Delegates attended from every state (not chosen, however, on a basis of electoral strength), a president and vice president were nominated, and a platform was adopted. The Democrats held their first national convention in Baltimore in May, 1832, 313 delegates being present. As this year, the only contest was over the vice presidency, General Harrison having a walkover for first place. His opponents convened in Washington and named Henry Clay, 17 out of 24 states being represented. Since then non-nominating conventions have been the rule.—New York Sun.

HE WANTED TO KNOW.

Was Seeking Information For His Own Benefit Strictly.
He sat next to me in a cable car—an innocent looking old man, with a satchel between his feet—and I knew that he was wondering about the motive power of the car. He looked up and down and around and finally said to me:

"Waal, I can't make it out. What kind of a car is this, anyhow?"

"Oh, it is! Got a cable somewhere, eh?"

"Yes, it runs between the tracks, and each car has grips on it to catch the cable."

"But what runs the cable?"

"Big engines in the power houses."

"That's it, eh? Lemme put 'em down in my book."

He got out pencil and memorandum book and jotted down the facts, and as he finished I remarked that he seemed greatly interested in the cable system.

"No; not so much," he replied. "I put them fingers down because when I get home I'll be asked what I saw in New York. When I come to tell about the cable cars, there's as many as seven men in my town who'll stand up and say I was drunk."

"Are cable cars new to your people?"

"Nobody in our town ever heard of 'em, and I shall probably be called a liar all times while tellin 'em. I'm a carryin home one of them patent egg beaters what turns with a handle, and between showin that off and tellin about the cable cars I'll likely be expelled from church and driven out of society."

"You don't really mean that?" I queried.

"Waal, you kin judge for yourself."

you I tell you that Deacon Spooner if our town come down here and saw three fires, two fights, a runaway and a thunderstorm in one day. He went braggin around about it when he got home, and inside of a week he was thrown out of the debating society, and his only darter had to go home from singin school alone!" M. QUAD.

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